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STATE-AID MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EINV, JM
SUBJECT: HOFFMAN-HARTKE EXPLORATIONS

REFERENCE: KINGSTON 3901

1. HOFFMAN CALLED EMBASSY TO INFORM US OF HIS CONTINUING DISCUSSIONS WITH GOJ OFFICIALS ON POSSIBLE PROJECTS DISCUSSED IN REFTEL.
2. FOLLOWING LENGTHY MEETING AND FREQUENT TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR RATTRAY IN WASHINGTON, HOFFMAN REPORTED THAT HIS GROUP IS PROPOSING TO BUILD, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE GOJ, AN ALUMINA/ALUMINUM PLANT IN JAMAICA WITH AN ANNUAL ALUMINUM PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 300,000 TONS. HOFFMAN CLAIMS TO HAVE OVERSEAS CUSTOMERS FOR 200,000 TONS.
3. PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE ANNUAL IMPORTATION OF 1,500,000 TONS OF COAL TO MEET PLANT'S ENERGY REQUIREMENTS.

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4. ENERGY CAPACITY WOULD BE 600 MEGAWATTS AND, IN ADDITION TO MEETING PLANT'S REQUIREMENTS, WOULD BE HOOKED INTO NATIONAL GRID TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL CAPACITY WHEN NEEDED.
5. HOFFMAN STATED THAT COST OF COAL WOULD BE ALMOST 50 PERCENT LOWER THAN MEXICO HAD BEEN PLANNING TO CHARGE FOR ITS OIL IN THE ORIGINAL PACKAGE.

6. HOFFMAN'S GROUP IS NOW PREPARING A MEMORANDUM FOR THE GOJ AND HOPES THAT FOLLOWING REVIEW OF THE MEMORANDUM, HE AND SEVERAL ENGINEERS WILL BE INVITED TO JAMAICA TO PURSUE THE PROJECT FURTHER.

HOFFMAN STATED THAT THE PROPOSAL FOR A POWER GENERATING COAL BURNING PLANT TO BE BARGED TO JAMAICA HAS BEEN DROPPED.

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